

BRAZIL CITY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
JULY 11, 2007

- President Ruthann Jeffries called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- The June 6 minutes were read and approved.

- Treasurer's Report—Linda Messmer
Non-reverting Fund

Beginning Balance—June 1, 2007.....	\$18,288.92
Revenue.....	600.00
Disbursements.....	<u>(14,779.00)</u>
Ending Balance—June 30, 2007.....	\$ 4,109.92

Park and Recreation Fund

Beginning Balance—June 1, 2007.....	\$(15,817.03)
Revenue.....	2,152.58
Disbursements.....	<u>(35,668.00)</u>
Ending Balance—June 30, 2007.....	\$(49,332.45)

The encumbrance and revenue and expenditure lists were reviewed and changes were noted. The pool revenue was not listed under Revenue for the Park Fund.

- No pool report was given. However, Mrs. Jeffries mentioned the new sweeper is on a 30 day trial. The cost is approximately \$2,500. The old sweeper quit, and Mr. Houck was unsuccessful in repairing it. If the new sweeper is purchased, perhaps the old sweeper could be repaired by the dealer in order to have a back up. The pool is operating smoothly and the problem with young people hanging out around the pool area, shelter, etc., has improved.
- Three women—Marsha Dowell, Chantell Purcell, Tokie Kesler—were representing Walmart's PSP (Personal Sustainability Project) wanted permission to clean-up, repair, etc., at Wheeler Park as a community service project. The group has pictures showing the areas in need and will hold fundraisers to get money to do this project. Brad Deal motioned to allow the PSP Committee to make improvements at Wheeler Park pending approval of Superintendent Houck. Seconded by Linda Messmer. Carried. Some of the improvements have already been addressed by the Board; therefore the Committee will work closely with Mr. Houck.
Ruthann Jeffries motioned to have Mr. Houck investigate options of getting a workable grill at Wheeler Park. Seconded by Linda Messmer. Carried.
- Park Superintendent's Report—Bill Houck
 - The mini-shelter is finished at Wheeler Park.
 - The electricity has been disconnected at Wheeler until the electrical repairs are finished.

- The spraying at Craig Park wasn't soon enough and some weeds were too large to be killed by the spray. Mr. Kidwell cut these weeds and more spraying was done.
 - Work has begun on the ruts in the carnival area at Forest Park. One load of dirt (Mike Knust) has been delivered, but more will be needed.
 - The Pepsi truck was delivered. Arrangements were made for newspaper publicity concerning this generous donation from Pepsi.
 - The lights in the pool house basement have been installed.
 - GDS Electric will be contacted to replace dusk-to-dawn sensors at Craig Park, Wheeler Restroom, refreshment stand, and park pool.
 - Keeping bulbs in the sockets throughout all three parks is a real challenge for the Superintendent and his crew. Vandals consistently are breaking them.
 - The Security Guards are doing well, and vandalism has decreased.
 - Mr. Houck was publicly thanked for his "above the call of duty" chores and guidance at the pool. The pool managers and the Board appreciate his dedication so much.
- The Christmas in the Park contract still hasn't been signed. The Chamber wouldn't sign because they didn't want to increase the liability insurance from \$300,000 to \$1,000,000. The CIP Committee is researching getting their own insurance.
 - Mr. Houck would like to get the new playground equipment installed. As time permits, he will begin getting the foundation ready, and perhaps a community workday could be organized to set up the equipment. Mrs. Greer will help the Superintendent.
 - Mr. Houck will contact other city departments on assistance getting the "church" sign out of the ground along SR 59.
 - Brad Deal motioned to have Double Bee Fencing to put in the "dumpster" fence at Forest Park that is not to exceed \$1500. Seconded by Linda Messmer. Carried.
 - Bill Houck will investigate getting roofers to roof the garage and side and roof the little building by the merry-go-round. Since materials have been purchased, the labor is not to exceed \$2000. Seconded by Caroline McCullough. Carried.
 - Richard Harden representing the Old Settlers Picnic at Bowling Green, wanted permission to put up posters advertising some of the events. The Board unanimously denied this request.
 - The Board has noticed that more people are parking behind the Bandshell for the Sunday night Band Concerts, plus other events. As agreed with the Concert Band, only 4 vehicles have permission to do so. It was decided that the gates will be closed and locked, and a sign will be posted designating the drive as a service

road. Arrangements are made for the necessary vehicles as well as a way for an ambulance to come into the area. Caroline McCullough will talk with Director Matt Huber to notify him of the Board's decision and to keep him "in the loop."

- Linda Messmer motioned to allow Robert Kidwell to drive the Pepsi truck as transportation to and from the park only. Seconded by Brad Deal. Carried.
- The pool managers have canceled the August swim lessons since both high school and college pool employees are back at school. Those students that have signed up have been notified.
- The Popcorn Festival wants to donate handicapped playground equipment for Forest Park. More on this later.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Caroline McCullough", written in dark ink.

Caroline McCullough, Secretary